



NJ National Guard Child & Youth Program News

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NJ National Guard Youth Camp July 13-19, 2014

DEADLINE FAST APPROACHING!!!
REGISTER TODAY at www.njngyouthcamp.org

This year will be our 20th year holding Camp by the beach at the National Guard Training Center in Sea Girt, NJ. Our Camp is a residential, week-long program full of fun and excitement!!!

Camp for youth ages 9 - 15 will be from 13-19 July 2014.
CAMPERS ages 9-13 NEEDED!!!!

Counselors and Volunteers will need to be available from 12-19 July 2014.
****Counselor Training will take place on Saturday 21 June 2014 from 10:00am until 3:30pm at the Woodbridge Armory****

The application deadline this year is May 15, 2014. The website will shut down at midnight on Thursday May 15. Medical paperwork does not need to be turned in when registering online; however, it must be completely filled out and submitted by June 27.

COST: \$150.00 per Camper/CIT. If you use our online payment method, a \$5.00 processing fee is charged to cover costs. If writing check, please make it payable to: *NJNG Family Programs Local Fund*. This fee supplements the cost of camper gear as well as activities and meals.

For more information, please visit:
http://www.nj.gov/military/familysupport/youth_camp.html

To apply, please visit: <http://njngyouthcamp.org/>



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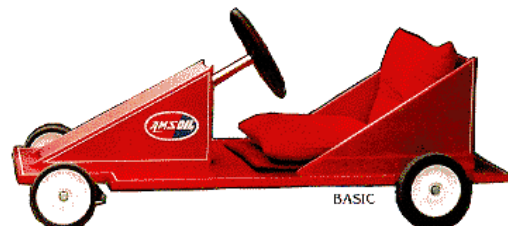
www.Facebook.com/NJNGChildandYouthProgram

****Please know that our office at the Joint Military & Family Assistance Center located on US Highway 206 in Bordentown is temporarily closed for renovations. Our office phone numbers have been temporarily disconnected for the time being, so please email or call our cell phones to get in touch with us. We hope to be back in our office by summer.**

Thank you ~ Amanda & Nicole

Fun 4 Guards

The National Guard 4-H Club, Fun 4 Guards, will be meeting again starting May 20, 2014. The Club will meet on Tuesday nights from 6:30-8:30pm at the Mount Holly Armory (1670 Route 38).



For this 6 week session, youth will learn about, build and create a life-size soap box derby car. Youth will work in small groups to construct a derby car that will be used at races and fairs throughout the summer. The Club is open to military youth ages 10-14 with 15 max participation. The meeting dates are May 20 and 27, June 3, 10, 17 and 24.

For more information or to sign up today, please contact Amanda Balas at amanda.m.balas.ctr@mail.mil

Mark Your Calendars

AMERICAN RED CROSS CPR TRAINING

The Child & Youth Program has set up a First Aid, CPR and AED training for its volunteers to attend. The training will take place on Sunday 8 June from 8:45am until 4:00pm at the Lawrenceville Armory (151 Eggerts Crossing Road). The training will include First Aid, Infant, Child and Adult CPR and AED training. The certification is good for two years. This training is open to National Guard teens ages 13 or older and Child & Youth Program volunteers. ALL Youth Camp volunteers are highly encouraged to attend and have priority.

Each participant will need to wear comfortable clothes as you will be working on the floor as well as bring own lunch and refreshments as it will not be provided. There is only a 30 minute lunch break (not enough time to go out for lunch).

Only 24 slots available. To register, please email Amanda Balas at amanda.m.balas.ctr@mail.mil with name, age, best phone number and email to reach you.

AIR GUARD & RESERVE YOUTH CAMP

We are pleased to say that NJ received the Air National Guard/Reserve Camp grant again this year. This Camp will be open to military youth (specifically Air Guard & Air Reserve) ages 10-14 and it will take place from Monday 30 June until Thursday 3 July 2014. Transportation (with 2 stops) will be provided. All the details have not been finalized but the Camp will be held at the 4-H Campgrounds in Sussex County. Please stay connected as more information will follow in the near future.

NJ Guard Teen Panel - NEW Officers

In April 2014, the NJ Guard Teen Panel (GTP) held its annual election of officers. We would like to thank our past officers for all the time they contributed to the group and wish them GOOD LUCK in their future endeavors!!!!

CONGRATULATIONS to our newly elected officers!!!! Please give a warm welcome and round of applause to the 2014 NJ Guard Teen Panel Officers---



President – Zaniya Lewis
Vice President – Thomas Densten
Secretary – Natalia Akopian
Historian – Jayla Verrett



Be S.M.A.R.T. Webinar – May 8, 2014

Be SMART with Youth
(Safe, Monitored, and Responsible Texting)

Thursday, May 8, 2013, 2:30 pm Eastern

Increase your awareness about the misuse of smart phones and other mobile devices, including techniques of how to help decrease and prevent sexting and cyber-bullying and what to do when you are made aware of it happening.



JOIN the WEBINAR: <https://learn.extension.org/events/1594>

May is National Military Appreciation Month

Congress designated May as National Military Appreciation Month in 1999 to ensure the nation was given the opportunity to publically demonstrate their appreciation for the sacrifices and successes made by our servicemembers – past and present. Each year the president makes a proclamation, reminding Americans of the important role the U.S. Armed Forces have played in the history and development of our country.

There are various deals and discounts going on to thank the military during the month of May. To see what offers are available, please visit:

<http://www.military.com/military-appreciation-month/military-appreciation-month-discounts.html>

Extension Military Teen Adventure Camps

Are you or do you have a military teen between the ages of 14-18?? If so, you may be interested in a military teen adventure camp being offered this summer. Please check out the websites below for eligibility requirements and registration.

1. Joint Reserve Component Teen Leadership Summit

**July 6-11, 2014 (Deadline is 15 May 14)

**Held at Washega 4-H Center in Dahlonega, Georgia

Now in its fifth year, the Joint Reserve Component Teen Leadership Summit is a week-long camps for 14-18 year old dependent teens of current Army, Air, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard reserve (including National Guard) family members. Teens will focus on leadership development and self-confidence, learn about programs and services available to Air Force dependents, and build an appreciation for and sense of belonging to the geographically separated military community.



**To apply: Teens must visit and complete an application with essays at www.georgia4h.org/jointreservesummit

2. Air Force Reserve/Air National Guard Teen Leadership Summit

** July 20-25, 2014 (Deadline is 31 May 14)

**Held at Washega 4-H Center in Dahlonega, Georgia

This is a week-long camp for 14-18 year old dependent teens of current Air Force Reserve or Air National Guard military members. Teens will focus on leadership development and self-confidence, learn about programs and services available to AF dependents, and build an appreciation for and sense of belonging to the AF community.

**To apply: Teens must visit and complete an application with essays at www.georgia4h.org/afrangteensummit



3. Adventure Teen Leadership Summit

**August 12-17, 2014

**Held at Cheley Colorado Camps in Estes Park, Colorado

This is a week-long camp for 14-18 year old dependent teens of current Air Force Reserve or Air National Guard military members. Bordering Rocky Mountain National Park, Cheley Colorado Camps is a family owned and operated summer camp. Daily adventures include hiking, intense mountain biking, horseback riding, horse colt training, arts & crafts, woodworking, technical climbing, and archery

**To apply: Teens must visit and complete an application with essays at www.georgia4h.org/afrangteensummit

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(advanced)
Shot Callers
(intermediate)
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(40 & over)



Register at these Locations and Ask for-

Derek and Steve - Westampton Barbershop
897 Rancocas Rd, Westampton, NJ 08060.

Amy Dean - Faith in Action
429 John F Kennedy Way, Willingboro, NJ,

Seigha Osumsa -The Beauty Store
125 W Route 130 N, Burlington, NJ

JC Martin -Keegan Recreational Center 522
Wood Street Burlington

Al or Lamont-Kuttin Zone
Burlington Ctr. Mall or
Rt.541 Bypass Mt.Holly NJ 08060

Online- (URL)
<https://weballin.eventbrite.com>

3 events
3 on 3
\$10 per person
Winner cash prize (adv.
Div.)

SLAM DUNK CONTEST
\$10 per person
Winner cash prize

YOUTH BALLOUT
(14 and under)
\$ 10 per youth
Winner GAME STOP gift
card



For more info call 412-320-3129

